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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

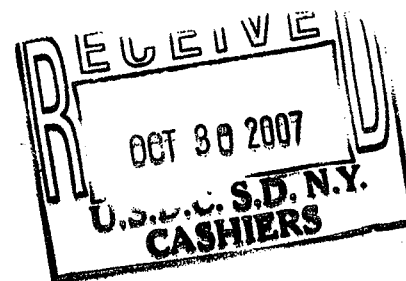
MERRILL LYNCH & CO., INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

"JOHN DOE"

Defendant.



JUDGE PATTERSON

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Case No. 07 CV _____


RULE 7.1 STATEMENT

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1, plaintiff Merrill Lynch & Co., Inc., by its attorneys, hereby states that it is a publicly traded corporation that has no parent corporation, and that no publicly held corporation owns 10% or more of its stock.

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